

## **II. Remarks**

### **A. Introduction.**

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested. Claims 2-3 are pending in this application with Claim 2 being independent. Claim 2 has been amended to further clarify the formulae and to clarify grammar. Claims 5-16 have been canceled. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to these canceled claims. No new matter has been added.

### **B. Allowable subject matter.**

The Examiner has deemed Claims 2 and 3 allowable over the cited references. (Office Action, page 2.) Applicants acknowledge the allowance of these claims and thank the Examiner therefor.

### **C. Claim objections.**

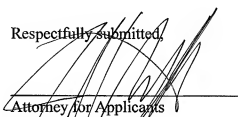
Claims 2 and 3 stand objected to for the informalities mentioned in the Office Action. Applicants traverse the objection. Solely in the interest of expediting prosecution, however, Claim 2 has been amended to comply with the suggestions of the Office Action. Thus, the objection has been obviated and should be withdrawn.

### **D. Conclusion.**

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and a Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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